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Applicant:

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Title:

SPUTTER CHAMBER AS WELL AS VACUUM TRANSPORT CHAMBER AND VACUUM HANDLING APPARATUS WITH

SUCH CHAMBERS

AFTER-FINAL REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED HANDLING REQUESTED

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on or about April 18, 2002. A Notice of Appeal was filed September 18, 2002.

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IN THE DRAWINGS:

A Letter Requesting Drawing Change Approval is submitted herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

(A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.)

Please amend Claims 35, 47, 48, 50 and 58 as follows:

35. (Amended) Sputtering chamber comprising at least one sputtering source with a new sputter surface at least approximately symmetrical with

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